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## Long road from Boyhood leads to Oscar

Patricia Arquette picked up best supporting actress for the groundbreaking drama filmed over 12 years. For more Academy Awards coverage, see pages 11 & 12.



# Flooded streets hit Halifax again

**Weather.** City crews, Halifax Water worked to unclog icy catch basins from rain, more ice



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For the second Sunday in a row, heavy flooding in areas across the Halifax region created large pools of water and dangerous driving conditions as city crews worked to clear the catch basins before everything froze overnight.

After getting about five centimetres of snow Saturday night and early Sunday, city crews plowed the white stuff away before focusing on clearing catch basins as the rain poured down and flooded already icy streets, Winter Operations Supt. Darrin Natolino said Sunday afternoon.

"It's snow and ice that's blocking the catch-pit grates that's really causing the problem," Natolino told reporters.

He said many grates could not take water runoff even when clear because of ice inside the basin, so Halifax



A woman waits for a tow after her daughter's car stalled in the deep water on Chain Lake Drive on Sunday morning. JEFF HARPER/METRO

Water was on scene unclogging those pits.

People were asked to stay off the roads as much as possible, but many on social

media shared photos and videos of cars stuck in deep water on Chain Lake Drive, Pepperell Street and Lacewood Drive. Crews were busy scraping

ice off side roads Sunday as well, and although the rain cancelled out any salt, Natolino said they put out traction sand as a temporary measure.

Halifax Regional Police Sgt. Major Donald Moser said there were "pockets" of cars in deep water but none that created a safety hazard, and

### Stadium closed

Sunday's wet and icy conditions also affected recreation as the Sackville Sports Stadium was closed for much of the day with major leaks.

- A release said staff noticed "significant leaks" throughout the facility, leading to concerns of roof damage.

there were no major vehicle collisions.

Monday will see below-freezing temperatures as well as flurries in the morning, according to Environment Canada.

The constant freeze-and-thaw cycle over the past three weeks has been like nothing city workers of 20 years can remember, Natolino said.

"White Juan ... pales in comparison to this," Natolino said, since that storm only brought snow.

"The layer of ice that's underneath everything out there right now, it's definitely not an easy thing to contend with."



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# Lake Loon residents want community centre restored

**Infrastructure.** Council has voted to demolish building built with help of community members

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Billy Stewart remembers the Lake Loon-Cherry Brook Community Centre not as the run-down building people see today, but as his old school from the 1950s.

"My mom was a janitor for the school in 1957 and she was getting \$25 a month," Stewart said while standing outside the old centre on Saturday.

Stewart, joined by dozens of other Lake Loon community members, gathered with signs bearing the messages, "We remember Africville," and "Save our centre," that afternoon to protest Halifax regional council's recent decision to demolish the building.

"My mom would want me to be doing this," he said.

After the segregated school closed its doors in 1967, it be-

came a community centre. However, furnace and water problems caused it to shut down in the 1990s.

Today, the centre stands on Lake Loon Road, with boarded windows and chipped white paint. Shingles are missing from the roof, and the front steps have seen better days.

"I remember that new building," said Stewart. "I want to see it look the same — but brand new."

Breton Sparks, president of the community centre, said the building may look weathered, but the structure is sound.

"We have documentation and proof that we do own (the building), and we'll fight them on that," said Sparks.

Sparks claimed the HRM allocated \$170,000 for the building, money the community never saw.

Sparks explained the land for the building was donated by a community member and members of the community helped build it.

"We don't want to see it destroyed," said Sparks.

On Saturday, Sparks said he



Lake Loon and Cherry Brook community members brave the cold Saturday to protest plans to demolish the building that used to house their community centre. REBECCA DINGWELL/FOR METRO

wants the building to look the same way it did in the '50s. He feels the centre has the potential to be many things: from a doctor's office to a daycare, or a place for seniors.

"I'm a contractor, and I

have a vision for this building."

On Monday, Sparks and his lawyer, Derek Brett, will meet with Preston MLA Keith Colwell and area councillor Lorelei Nicoll.

"We're hoping that Mon-

day's meeting will resolve all issues," said Brett. "But if it doesn't, then we have to take the next step of going forward to the March city council meeting and appealing to the full council."

## Mosher wants alternatives to road salt explored

A Halifax councillor wants the city to take a look at options other than salt for dealing with severe ice conditions on the city's streets.

Coun. Linda Mosher will table a motion at regional council Tuesday seeking a staff report on the "best practices" for managing condi-

tions when salt is ineffective.

"Although our processes have improved and we apply brine as a precaution, this preventative measure does not work in very cold temperatures," states the request.

Mosher's request states that other cities augment

rock salt with byproducts such as calcium chloride and calcium magnesium acetate, and organic compounds such as beet brine, cheese brine, pickle brine, and sugar cane molasses.

"These products also serve as a gooey substance to which salt sticks and minimizes the


likelihood of runoff to watercourses," states the request.

Mosher is also asking staff to examine options for more effectively getting cars off the streets during the clean-up after storms.

"The report should also include information on the options of removing on-

street parking to ensure appropriate room for snow and ice removal, such as alternate side of the street parking and/or longer times to enforce the winter parking ban when multiple storms are occurring in a short period of time," reads the request.

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## Lottery

**6-49 ticket worth \$1 million sold in Nova Scotia**

Nova Scotia looks to have a new millionaire on its hands.

The Atlantic Lottery Corporation says a ticket worth \$1 million was sold in Bible Hill for the Feb. 21 Lotto 6-49 draw.

The \$1-million ticket came from the guaranteed prize draw. **METRO**

## Media

**Chronicle Herald locks out printing plant employees**

Nova Scotia's largest newspaper has locked out its unionized printing plant employees after contract negotiations failed to reach an agreement.

Thirteen press operators and mechanics at the Halifax Chronicle Herald were locked out Saturday, the company



The Chronicle Herald METRO FILE

said in a news release. It said the employees had turned down a proposal from management.

The proposal included concessions on retirement and job security but did not

include cuts to pay or benefits, the company's statement said.

The employees decided they were willing to take monetary concessions shortly before the lockout, the Halifax Typographical Union said in a news release.

The company said it needed concessions because it is dealing with a decline in revenue. The paper printed a statement Friday saying a work stoppage would not affect its daily delivery.

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## Politics

**Dartmouth Liberal backbencher Allan Rowe in hospital**

The Nova Scotia Liberals say a member of the legislature from Dartmouth has been hospitalized.

The Liberal caucus issued a statement Sunday to say Allan Rowe is recovering in hospital following a medical procedure.

Liberal spokesman Nick Cox says he cannot confirm if it was a planned procedure or how long the recovery is expected to take.

The Liberals say they expect Rowe, who is a backbencher, to go back to work once his health improves.

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# Halifax restaurant launches reusable container program

**Waste reduction.**

Dhaba Express owner couldn't stand how much polystyrene his business was using



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Faizal Junus never thought much about the polystyrene takeout boxes he used to order for his restaurant — not until business began to pick up.

Nearly four years after Dhaba Express first opened its doors in Bayers Lake, the owner says business has nearly quadrupled, leaving his family's restaurant with a big waste problem when it comes to the number of polystyrene containers tossed out by customers.

"(It's) to the point where ordering so much (polystyrene) is sort of getting to me,"

he said on Friday.

Since January, Junus estimates the restaurant has sold around 6,000 takeout orders; do the math, that's a lot of polystyrene in the trash.

He decided it was just too much and began searching for alternatives.

Then it hit him: Why not sell customers plastic takeout containers that can be brought back to the restaurant, washed and then reused to replace the polystyrene boxes? In fact, Dhaba Express was already using plastic microwavable containers, but only for its pre-made takeout options.

After some research, the restaurant's executive assistant Nadia Junus said they discovered that many North American universities have already switched to a similar option, called eco-containers.

"And I thought it was our idea," Faizal Junus said on Friday, laughing.

Starting next week, his restaurant will launch a con-

**Eco-friendly business**

Faizal Junus, one of the owners of Dhaba Express, says they are first restaurant in Halifax to launch a container exchange program.

tainer exchange program where customers can pay \$2 for a plastic container and after every meal bring it back to be washed, sanitized and then reused.

Junus said he's already received the green light from his food inspector.

"It's the same thing as plates. Plates get used, they get dish washed, they get sanitized, and they go back out," he said.

For now the restaurant will only offer the container exchange for the menu's pre-made meals, but plans to convert 100 per cent to plastic once Junus says they hire more dishwashing staff and find more storage.



Nadia Junus and Faizal Junus say their restaurant, Dhaba Express, located in Bayers Lake, will begin selling reusable takeout containers to save on waste. **STEPHANIE TAYLOR/METRO**

Compared to polystyrene, plastic boxes cost about five times more and mean incurred labour costs, he said,

adding that isn't the point.

"In the long run, it's more eco-friendly. Now I feel a little more comfortable, because

I'm not feeling comfortable at all with ordering boxes and boxes of (polystyrene)," he said Friday.

## Proposal to lift Sunday hunting ban worries hikers

Hiking groups in Halifax are concerned that a possible provincial lift of the Sunday hunting ban would jeopardize the safety of — and possibly deter — those wanting to venture into the great outdoors.

Last week, the province began a 60-day consultation, using an online survey, on people's reactions to lifting the current ban that prohibits hunting on Sundays under the Nova Scotia Wildlife Act.

The only exceptions are Mi'kmaq people, who can hunt on any day. Lifting the ban would mean open season seven days a week from September to early December for the province's 50,000 licensed hunters — a troubling reality for some hikers.

"Generally, it's not so much of an issue that they're worried a hunter is going to shoot them in the back. The issue is more that the bullets are flying through the air,"

**Quoted**

**"If (a hunter) misses the shot, that bullet goes a long way."** Wade McIsaac, organizer with the Halifax Adventure Seekers

said Wade McIsaac, an event organizer with the Halifax Adventure Seekers.

Weekends are when most hikers take to the trails, he said, explaining Sundays are when the majority of organized outdoor groups plan

events during hunting season to avoid areas where there could be nearby gunshots.

Lifting the ban means hikers would think twice about choosing popular trail systems in the province's protected wilderness areas, such

as the Bluff Wilderness Trail or Crowbar Lake, which also allow hunting, McIsaac said.

"Realistically, you're down to a provincial park or a city park. So your actual wilderness experience has been changed to a city park," he said Friday.

Derek Gee, president of Chebucto Hiking Club, said he's getting phone calls from worried members. He believes lifting the ban could help the province deal with

its deer population, but would be contradictory to its other mandate: encouraging residents to live healthy, active lives.

"These trails that are not just used by hiking clubs," he said. "There's a lot of citizens in the province that frequent these trails quite a bit." He would like more information, such as a map showing what specific areas would be open to hunting.

**STEPHANIE TAYLOR/METRO**



# New provincial law will sort out health-care union representation

**Collective bargaining.**  
Liberals give the boot to arbitrator

The Nova Scotia government will introduce legislation to decide which unions will represent nurses, clerical and support staff in the health-care system after an arbitrator failed to resolve the matter, Health Minister Leo Glavine said Friday.

James Dorsey released a report Friday that recommended representation for only two of the four bargaining units being created under legislation passed last fall that amalgamates the province's health authorities on April 1.

Dorsey's 96-page decision recommended the Nova Scotia Government and General Employees Union represent

clerical and health-care workers. But he did not assign a union to represent nurses and support staff.

Glavine said the government will allow that union to represent health-care workers and legislation will be brought in to determine which unions will represent all of the remaining workers.

"This is not a clear arbitration," Glavine said. "We know that arbitration brings final decisions and we don't have final decisions in this report and that's the disappointing part."

The government wants to cut the number of bargaining units from 50 to four once the province's 10 health authorities are reduced to two. The move, which will affect 24,000 workers in the health-care system, will streamline health contract negotiations, Glavine has said.

The question over which



Health Minister Leo Glavine speaks to reporters at One Government Place in this file photo. JEFF HARPER/METRO

unions will represent which workers has divided the four unions that now represent all unionized workers in the

health sector: the Nova Scotia Government and General Employees Union, the Nova Scotia Nurses' Union, Unifor and

the Canadian Union of Public Employees.

CUPE president Danny Cavanagh said the implemen-

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The cost of James Dorsey's arbitration

tation of Dorsey's recommendations would have meant the loss of 2,500 members for his union.

Still, he said while the government's intention to introduce legislation may be a temporary reprieve, he is not pleased.

"You can view this as a lifeline, so to speak, but who knows what they are going to do?" he said. "Can I trust what they are going to do? ... I don't think so."

The legislature is scheduled to reconvene March 26, a week before the health authority amalgamation is to take effect.

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## Police. Officer charged with assaulting suspect

A member of the Halifax Regional Police has been charged with assault, following an investigation into an arrest last year.

The Serious Incident Response Team launched an investigation after a 34-year-old man, who was arrested for theft on Aug. 22, complained about the arresting officer's conduct.

The police watchdog says it won't discuss the details of the incident because it is be-

### The accused

Forty-five-year-old Const. Derek Fish is due in provincial court in Halifax on March 23.

fore the courts.

But it says police have the right to use reasonable force when arresting someone, and if the force is not reasonable, it is considered assault.

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## Weapons. Altercation ends with man sent to hospital

Halifax Regional Police are investigating a "weapons-related" incident after a man was sent to hospital from an altercation on Saturday afternoon.

Officers responded to a complaint involving weapons in an area near Herring Cove Road and Greystone Drive Saturday at around 3 p.m.

Police say they believe a fight broke out between

three men, resulting in one being transported to hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

Police say the incident remains under investigation and no further details about the alleged weapons involved have been released.

One man had been arrested in relation to the incident, but he was released without charges as the investigation continued. METRO

## Accident. Drivers accused of driving while impaired

Police have charged the drivers of an ATV and an SUV with being impaired behind the wheel, after two vehicles were involved in an accident on Saturday night.

The RCMP in Halifax say the ATV was being driven illegally on Terence Bay Road and collided with a white SUV that was trying to make a turn into a driveway around 11:20 p.m.

Police say a 54-year-old

Terence Bay woman was driving the SUV and was arrested for impaired driving. She has a court date set for March 26.

A 32-year-old man from Williamswood was driving the ATV, police say, and was taken to the QEII hospital in Halifax with non-life-threatening injuries.

He was also arrested for impaired driving, with the RCMP seizing his blood for further analysis. METRO

### Abbie J. Lane hospital

#### Missing patient found unharmed

Capital Health officials say a man who went missing briefly from a local hospital has been located.

The health authority issued a release Friday asking the public to help find the man, who left the Abbie J. Lane hospital on a pass Thursday and didn't return.

Another release issued Friday afternoon stated that the man had been returned to the hospital safe and sound. METRO

### Downtown

#### Man charged with assaulting woman

Halifax Regional Police have charged a man with assault after an alleged incident involving a woman in the city's downtown Thursday.

Officers responded to a complaint in the 1600 block of Hollis Street around 3:30 p.m. Shortly after, police arrested a 67-year-old man from Maitland for assault they allege was against a woman.

Police say there are no details on any injuries that may have occurred. METRO

# Student charged in death of classmate

**Sydney Academy.** 15-year-old accused of criminal negligence after allegedly pushing Christopher Chafe into the path of school bus

A suspended Sydney Academy student was charged on Friday in connection with a school bus accident that killed a classmate last week.

The 15-year-old is charged with criminal negligence causing death, in relation to the Feb. 11 accident that claimed the life of 18-year-old Christopher Walter Chafe, also of Sydney.

The charge against the accused, who cannot be named in accordance with the Youth Criminal Justice Act, alleges he was negligent by pushing Chafe, which caused him to fall into the path of a school bus.

The teen was released on Friday, and is scheduled back in court March 25.

Among the conditions of his release: The youth is not to have any contact with 10 named individuals and he is not allowed to possess firearms. He is also prohibited from being on any property under the direction of the Cape Breton-Victoria Regional School Board.

The accident occurred in



The scene of the fatal accident that happened earlier this month. A suspended Sydney Academy student was charged on Friday in connection with the incident, which killed a classmate. CAPE BRETON POST

front of Sydney Academy High School on Terrance Street shortly after 2 p.m.

At the time, witnesses and police said Chafe and others were "playing around" when the incident occurred.

Chafe was described as loving the outdoors, the Boston Bruins and NASCAR. He is survived by his parents and a sister.

A funeral service was held Wednesday.

CAPE BRETON POST

### Details to come

A Cape Breton-Victoria Regional School Board official said more information could follow on Monday.

## New jail easing prisoner population levels



Northeast Nova Scotia Correctional Facility Supt. Tim Carroll  
NEW GLASGOW NEWS

Day-to-day operations at the Northeast Nova Scotia Correctional Facility are moving at a sure and steady pace, says its superintendent.

By the end of last week, the new facility, which opened on Feb. 9, had about 55 offenders within its walls, said Tim Carroll, superintendent of the Northeast Nova Scotia Correctional Facility.

"We are fine-tuning the operations in the facility," he said. "We need some adjustments, but we are going through the processes and getting it done."

Carroll said 15 offenders were accepted to the correc-

### The facility

The \$42.3-million facility is the second largest in the province. It features more than 200 closed-circuit TV cameras inside and outside the building, a health-care suite, offender classrooms and booths for court attendance by video conference.

tional facility on the first day to help ease population levels at facilities in Cape Breton and Burnside.

Some days, transfers from other facilities can range be-

tween seven and 11 offenders, while the Priestville facility also accepts offenders from the local court system on a daily basis.

"Our staff is putting into practice what they spent a great deal of time resourcing and training for," Carroll said. "Staff is also educating offenders because the offenders are not aware of what our expectations are because we are a direct-supervision facility."

Direct-supervision facilities increase staff presence in the offender living units, and allow staff to more effectively supervise and monitor offenders. NEW GLASGOW NEWS



## Beloved beluga dies at SeaWorld

In this 2013 handout photo, Nanuq, a 2,200-pound beluga whale, gets acquainted with actress Isla Fisher at SeaWorld in San Diego. SeaWorld officials said Nanuq died Thursday at the estimated age of 31 or 32. The Vancouver Aquarium had loaned the beluga whale to Orlando SeaWorld for breeding purposes. While the cause of death is not yet known, he had been undergoing treatment for an infection caused by a broken jaw that occurred in an encounter with other animals. Nanuq's death is renewing the debate over whether cetaceans should be bred in captivity.

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## Politics. Liberals push for new law on assisted suicide

Justin Trudeau's Liberals want the outlines of a new law governing doctor-assisted dying to be clear by mid-summer — before Canadians head to the polls in October.

They'll try to get the ball rolling Tuesday, introducing a motion that calls for creation of a special parliamentary committee to consult experts and Canadians on the potentially explosive issue.

They want the committee up and running by March 11 and they want it to report back to the House of Commons by July 31 with a proposed legislative framework.

The Liberal motion, to be put to a vote Tuesday or Wednesday, follows a landmark ruling earlier this month by the Supreme Court of Canada, which struck down the ban on physician-assisted suicide.

The top court gave Parliament 12 months to draft new

### Division among Tories

The government's response has sparked speculation that the ruling Conservatives would rather not open debate on the issue, which could expose divisions among their ranks, before the election.

legislation that recognizes the right of clearly consenting adults who are enduring intolerable physical or mental suffering to seek medical help to end their lives.

The Harper government appears to be in no rush; Justice Minister Peter MacKay has said the government will take its time to thoroughly study the details of the court ruling and look at how other jurisdictions, including Quebec, have dealt with the issue. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

## Manitoba. Online gambling site taking on novelty bets

Manitoba gamblers can now get odds on some very odd things through the province's online gambling website.

In November Playnow.com quietly began taking bets on things as strange as when the existence of extra terrestrial life will be proven — they're giving 90 to one odds it happens this year — to what colour hair Prince William and Kate's second child will be born with.

"They're known as novelty or entertainment bets," explained Chris Fairclough of Playnow.com, adding pop culture events like this weekend's Academy Awards are proving popular with bettors. "It's all based around spectacles like Super Bowl or the Oscars — something that has a lot of weight and a lot of marketing dollars behind them — but we

offer betting on a variety of cultural and hot topics that are going on in the news as well, whether that's the presidential election coming up or that's the sex of Will and Kate's baby."

Fairclough said Manitoba residents over 18 who have signed up for an online account can put as little as 10 cents down on a novelty bet or as much as \$10,000 in some cases. The site uses odds that are set by Irish bookmaking giant, Paddy Power.

As for concerns about adding pop culture events and oddities to the list of things people with gambling addictions can bet on, Fairclough said as a joint venture between the governments of Manitoba and British Columbia, Playnow.com has safeguards in place.

SHANE GIBSON/METRO IN WINNIPEG

### Lake Erie

## Coast Guard frees U.S. freighter

Two Canadian Coast Guard icebreakers have freed a freighter stuck in the ice for days on southern Lake Erie.

A spokeswoman for the Coast Guard says the S.S. Arthur M. Anderson had been trapped in the ice near Conneaut Harbor, Ohio, about 75 kilometres northeast of Cleveland, since Tuesday.

**THE CANADIAN PRESS**

### Contract negotiations

## CN Railway resumes talks with union

Canadian National Railway and Unifor have resumed contract talks a day before the railway has threatened to lock out nearly 5,000 employees.

A CN statement says the company hopes to reach a negotiated settlement or to persuade the union to agree to binding arbitration. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

# West Edmonton Mall 'is very safe': Police

**Al-Shabab.** In a video, a Somali extremist group suggests an attack against Alberta facility



In the wake of a terrorist threat lobbed from halfway across the world, Edmonton Police emphasized Sunday the community is safe.

The threat comes from al-Shabab, a Somali terrorist group, which claimed responsibility for an attack against a Kenyan Mall in 2013 that left

67 people dead.

The brief reference to the West Edmonton Mall is near the end of a 76-minute, documentary-style video about the mall attack.

"What if such an attack were to occur in the Mall of America in Minnesota? Or the West Edmonton Mall in Canada? Or in London's Oxford Street?" a masked man asked in the video.

Edmonton Police are taking the threat seriously, said deputy Chief Brian Simpson, but noted it was not a specific threat.

"I feel West Edmonton Mall is very safe," he said. "I also feel this community is very safe."

Simpson said police were



working with mall security and people in the Somali and Muslim communities.

He said the best way of dealing with these type of threats is to "involve (the) community."

Police have said before that they are actively investigating several people in Alberta, because they fear these people

are being radicalized.

RCMP assistant commissioner Marlin Degrand said after a threat like this, the RCMP would be more vigilant.

"We will be looking for any changes in behaviour, any of those signs or indicators that there might be some kind of a concern," he said.

## Business as usual for shoppers, staff



Despite the release of a video that urged extremist groups to attack shopping malls in Canada, the U.S., and Britain, shoppers and staff at West Edmonton Mall continued with business as usual Sunday.

In a statement released by the mall, spokeswoman

Sheri Clegg said management is aware of the video and has taken extra security measures to ensure guest and staff safety.

"We will continue to monitor events with the help of federal and local law enforcement agencies," the statement said. "As always, we take any potential threat seriously and respond appropriately."

Vicki Olson of Camrose

said she heard the news Sunday morning, but it didn't stop her heading to the mall.

"I come here maybe once a year," said Olson. "It's a little distressing, but they also said ... the chances of it happening are very slim."

Jeannine Solowy, visiting Edmonton from Yellowknife, said the news was upsetting, but the RCMP and Edmonton police response has been re-

assuring.

"I feel like they have a handle on it," she said. "I feel like it's much better when they alert the public."

Karen Maguddatu, who's worked at a mall kiosk for a year, said she hasn't heard from mall authorities about increased security protocol.

"It's a bit (concerning)," she said, adding she'll still be coming into work.

## ISIL

## Turkish military enters Syria to remove troops

Hundreds of Turkish troops backed by tanks took part in an overnight operation into neighbouring Syria to remove dozens of besieged soldiers guarding an Ottoman tomb and take away

remains amid fears the shrine was threatened by ISIL militants.

The mission late Saturday, saving Turkish soldiers reportedly stuck for months at the tomb of the grandfather of the founder of the Ottoman Empire, was the first such major military incursion by Turkey since the Syrian conflict began in March 2011. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

## Egypt

## Prosecutor refers 215 alleged Islamists to trial

Egypt's top prosecutor has referred 215 alleged Islamists to trial in a criminal court on charges of forming armed groups responsible for killing half a dozen security personnel and dam-

aging public property.

The prosecutor said Sunday in a statement that only 125 defendants are detained. No date has been set for the trial. Egypt's courts are swamped with the trials of hundreds of Islamists and supporters of ousted President Mohammed Morsi on charges that include violence against state officials, treason and illegal protests.

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## Washington

## Iran responds to threats U.S. may quit nuclear talks

A senior Iranian official is responding sharply to warnings that Washington is ready to quit nuclear talks unless Tehran agrees to a deal that demonstrates it does not want atomic arms.

Ali Akbar Velayati says staying or leaving "depends on the Americans."

Velayati was responding to U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry, shortly before Kerry's arrival Sunday to Geneva. Kerry said President Barack Obama was "fully prepared" to pull the U.S. out before accepting a deal leaving Tehran with potent nuclear arms-making ability.

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# Dozens dead after river ferry sinks

**Bangladesh.** It was struck by the cargo vessel at a crossing on the Padma

A river ferry carrying up to 140 passengers capsized in central Bangladesh on Sunday after being hit by a cargo vessel, killing at least 48 people, officials said. A rescue operation was underway, but it was not clear how many people were missing.

The ferry was struck by the cargo vessel at the Daulatdia-Paturia crossing on the Padma River on Sunday afternoon, said fire department official Shahzadi Begum. Rescue teams were deployed and passing boats were helping in the operation, she said.

The site is 40 kilometres northwest of Dhaka, the capital. Ferry accidents are common in Bangladesh, an impoverished South Asian nation that is crisscrossed by more than 130 rivers.

The ferry, the M.L. Mosta, was submerged at a depth of up to six metres, said Inspector Zihad Mia, who is overseeing the rescue operation.

By Sunday evening, at least 48 bodies had been recovered, Mia said.

He said officials had yet to determine how many passengers were missing. Ferries in Bangladesh usually do not maintain formal passenger lists.

"We don't have a clear picture about how many were exactly in the ferry when it sank," Mia said. "But I think many have survived."

Jewel Mia, an official from the Bangladesh Inland Water Transport Authority, told reporters at the scene that up to 140 people were on board when the ferry sank.

A passenger who survived said many people got trapped inside when the ferry sank. "The passengers who were on the deck have survived, but many who were inside got trapped," Hafizur Rahman Sheikh was quoted as saying by the Prothom Alo newspaper.

Authorities ordered an investigation into the accident and a five-member committee has been asked to submit a report within 15 days, the Ministry of Shipping said in a statement.

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## Lebanese families picnic after heavy winter snowstorm

Lebanese Druze families picnic in the snow a day after a strong snowstorm, near the village of Hamana, Mount Lebanon, Sunday. A heavy winter storm descended on parts of the Middle East on Friday with snow falling in Israel, parts of the West Bank, Lebanon, Jordan and Syria. **HUSSEIN MALLA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

## U.S. Senate still in stalemate as budget deadline looms

The possible shutdown of the Department of Homeland Security threatens the Obama administration's efforts to counter the extremist appeal of ISIL within the U.S. and to respond with emergency aid to communities struggling with winter snowstorms, Homeland Se-

curity Secretary Jeh Johnson warned on Sunday.

Funding for the department's \$40-billion budget ends on Friday, and no solution is in sight for Congress to take action by then. The fight is over President Barack Obama's immigration plan. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

## Ukraine. Blast kills, injures at march despite hopeful signs

A bomb blast killed two at a march in east Ukraine on Sunday on the first anniversary of the ouster of the country's Russia-friendly president, a gruesome counterpoint to the hopes spawned by a ceasefire agreement more than a week ago.

An exchange of prisoners

this weekend and acknowledgment by both sides of a commitment to pull back heavy weapons are promising signs that peace may yet prevail, although sporadic exchanges of hostilities between government and separatist forces have yet to subside entirely. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

# Protesters block bridge over police shooting of Mexican



Demonstrators occupy cable bridge Saturday during a protest against the police shooting of Antonio Zambrano-Montes. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Protesters demonstrating against a police shooting that left a Mexican immigrant dead rallied in a Washington state city, staging a march that shut down traffic on a bridge over the Columbia River.

The Tri-City Herald reports that more than 50 people were in the group of protesters Saturday evening. Demonstrators blocked traffic along the cable bridge as they slowly marched from Pasco toward Kennewick.

Many motorists yelled and honked in support.

The protesters then turned and marched back toward Pasco, blocking traffic heading north as the sun set on the Columbia River. They shouted, "We will not be silenced" and "We are all Antonio," referring to Antonio Zambrano-Montes, who was killed by police.

"This is about the right not to be shot by police because you have a rock in your hand," said

Alfredo Lamedo, 53, of Spokane, as he marched. "How many bullets were in that rock?"

The Herald said that there were no arrests reported and police had little contact with protesters, according to authorities. Pasco police officials decided not to have patrol officers intervene when protesters marched across the bridge.

The Feb. 10 killing of Zambrano-Montes, captured on cellphone video by an onlooker,

has sparked calls for a federal investigation. Police have said Zambrano-Montes did not have a gun or a knife.

The killing was the fourth by law enforcement in Pasco in less than a year. It has roiled this fast-growing agricultural city of 68,000, where more than half the residents are Hispanic but few are members of the police or the power structure.

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Cuban hurdler Dayron Robles, wearing a jersey bearing a Nike swoosh, looks on after a race in Beijing in May 2014. As recently as three years ago, Cuban track and field athletes were allowed to wear only Adidas, regardless of their personal brand preference. LINTAO ZHANG/GETTY IMAGES

## Renewed U.S., Cuba relations opens economy

**Sports.** Revised rules enable Cuban athletes to sign personal endorsement deals

Before U.S. President Barack Obama announced plans in December to normalize state-to-state relations with Cuba, there were no warning signs.

But if you were looking closely, you might have seen a foreshadowing of the deal flash past on the track. Since last season some standout Cuban athletes have competed in gear supplied by U.S. companies.

If legendary Cuban hurdler Dayron Robles competes at the Pan Am games in Toronto this summer, he'll do so in Nike shoes. Cuban track and field athletes wore Adidas regardless of their personal brand preference, and a long list of rules kept American companies from doing business with Cuba's state-run sports system.

But two years ago, the country's track and field federation quietly relaxed regulations, allowing athletes greater autonomy regarding apparel deals.

"Eighteen months before the announcement Nike had already infiltrated Cuba," says Kris Mychasiw, a Montreal-based agent who advised several Cuban athletes.

Brand mismatches between athletes and their na-

### Quoted

**"It's going to be a huge opportunity."**

Kris Mychasiw, a sports agent based out of Montreal

tional federations aren't rare. Athletics Canada, for example, is sponsored by Nike but can't stop athletes from seeking deals with other outfitters, a luxury Cuban athletes had not shared since 1961.

Robles complained about the federation's lack of resources and left the team in early 2013, only to resurface later that year on Monaco's track circuit — wearing Nike gear. He has since returned to a Cuban team transformed, one that has relaxed its individual endorsement deal restrictions.

"It's going to be a huge opportunity," Mychasiw says. "It'll be like baseball and boxing. I'm sure Under Armour isn't too far behind (seeking deals with Cuban athletes)."

Some Cuban baseball players have worn Under Armour gear in international competition but the company says it has no formal agreement with Cuba's baseball federation.

The move to allow athletes the freedom to seek sponsorships comes amid broader reforms to stimulate the economy through private ownership of homes and businesses, the hope being to create jobs to balance national unemployment. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

## GM stock may help Ottawa balance budget

The Harper government's push to deliver a balanced budget despite low oil prices has attracted fresh attention to a potential stockpile of federal cash: a multi-billion-dollar taxpayer stake in the auto business.

The government's remaining 73.4 million shares in General Motors are now worth more than \$3.4 billion in total, thanks to the combined effect of a solid stock price and a weakened Canadian dollar.

In fact, once the Canadian

exchange rate is factored in on the U.S.-priced stock, its per-share value is higher than it has been in more than five years.

Earlier this month, Ottawa became the only North American government still holding stock acquired as part of the 2009 effort to bail out the then-sputtering automaker.

Ottawa's GM shares surfaced last month as one of several possible money-generating options that could help the Conservative government live

up to its promise of balancing the 2015-16 budget.

Fulfilling the pledge will be central to Tory re-election fortunes. The government insists it will achieve a balanced budget even as lower crude prices indirectly carve billions of dollars from federal revenues.

Selling the GM stock and booking the proceeds in the 2015-16 budget could help Ottawa offset the financial blow from the oil slump. Ottawa has

reiterated its intention to eventually unload its shares.

Ottawa initially booked the value of the stock at about \$1.1 billion, according to the Finance Department. The net gain or loss from a sale would be the total proceeds minus the book value, a spokesman said.

The government would stand to make a tidy net gain of \$2.3 billion if the shares were sold at the current market valuation of about \$3.4 billion.

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## VOICES

## NICE ONE, LEO

After James Dorsey failed to do the provincial government's bidding and chose the "wrong" union to represent both clerical and health-care workers, Health Minister Leo Glavine fired him. Way to go and complicate any hope for streamlining our health-care system, buddy.



**HALIFAX MATTERS**  
Stephen Kimber

Really?

Last year, the Stephen McNeil government passed the Health Authorities Act, ostensibly (and laudably) to streamline the province's health-care system, but also (and shabbily) to game that system.

The legislation reduced the number of health districts to two from 10, and the number of collective bargaining units to four from 50. But the government's stealth agenda was to emasculate its union nemesis, the powerful Nova Scotia Government Employees Union, and cheat the province's 24,000 health-care workers of their charter-given

right to choose who should represent them.

To cover its tracks — and sprinkle the fairy dust of plausible deniability over its actions while wearing its best "Who, me?" face — the government agreed to appoint James Dorsey, a British Columbia mediator-arbitrator with nearly 40 years in the business of dispute resolution.

Dorsey's clear if undeclared mandate was to divide the existing pie of registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, clinical health-care workers, and clerical and administrative support staff into four predetermined, uneven slices so the government-despised NSGEU would get the tiniest piece while the government-favoured Nova Scotia Nurses Union would represent all nurses in the province.

But Dorsey refused to do the govern-

ment's pie-slicing.

He raised questions, for example, about whether the Nova Scotia Nurses' Union actually represented a majority of nurses.

So the government last month announced plans to change the law — by cabinet-imposed fiat rather than openly debated amendment — to ensure the NSNU its majority.

Dorsey rejected that ex post facto games-playing approach.

And then on Friday, in his latest 96-page report, Dorsey chose the Nova Scotia Government Employees Union as the union to represent both clerical and health-care workers, two of the four bargaining units.

Oops.

Health Minister Leo Glavine fired Dorsey

#### Not playing that game

### Dorsey rejected that ex post facto games-playing.

by news conference, even threatening not to pay for work to date, and announced the government would bring in special legislation to accomplish what it had intended all along: Limiting the NSGEU to the clerical workers and handing all the nurses over to the NSNU.

This should make the unions' charter challenge to the Health Authorities Act a no-brainer. And it will complicate any hope for actually streamlining our healthcare system for a decade.

Good work, Leo.

## Your Halifax



### Putting on a happy face

A woman with a colourful umbrella walks down Carmichael Street in Halifax on Sunday afternoon. Temperatures rose in the city, bringing rain and localized flooding to the region. **JEFF HARPER/METRO**

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## Upcoming

### Halifax Transit schedules get The Big Lift

Starting Monday, bus users should check the new Halifax Transit service schedule to see whether their commute will be affected by the redecking project on the Macdonald Bridge, a.k.a. The Big Lift. No buses will be traveling across the bridge from Sunday to Thursday after 6:30 p.m. until the bridge is reopened the next morning, affecting eight routes. Riders that usually take the Macdonald route will transfer to a shuttle bus and cross the MacKay bridge. Shuttle pickup and drop-off locations will be at Scotia Square mall at the corner of Barrington and Duke streets and the Bridge Terminal in Dartmouth. **METRO**

### Planning for Penhorn Lake greenway

The Penhorn Lake Area Trail Association is hosting a public meeting Monday night from 7 to 9:30 p.m. at Alderney School on Penhorn Drive to discuss a greenway development plan. The association says they are developing a comprehensive trails plan for the Penhorn area of Dartmouth, which includes improvements to existing trails and designs for future ones. Ekistics Planning & Design will present some preliminary trail options, and the association said in a release they welcome public feedback. **METRO**



# Oscars not really awesome

## Academy Awards.

Host Neil Patrick Harris trades quips for singing and the show never really recovers

MATT PRIGGE

Metro in New York City

How much of a mess are the Academy Awards? Not even Neil Patrick Harris — the obvious go-to guy who kills at the Tonys and Emmys — could conquer them.

NPH was to be the second safe choice in a row, after last year's Ellen DeGeneres show. Sometimes the Oscars think outside the box and pay the price: Seth MacFarlane singing about boobs in 2013; the dynamic duo of a dazed, noncommittal James Franco and an energy-pill-high Anne Hathaway in 2011.

It all started well. Harris ascended from the floor onto the stage of Los Angeles' Dolby Theatre for his first Oscars gig and immediately addressed the biggest elephant in the room. "Tonight we celebrate the best and whitest — sorry, best and brightest," he quipped, winkingly referring to the heavy snubbing that befell Selma.

But this was a false start. Savage quips were immediately — as in the next sentence — replaced by singing. Harris launched into one of those songs that Billy Crystal used to do, except only about a third of it was dedicated to jokes. Singing about "moving pictures" — it's 1895 all over again! — he offered a sloppy valentine to the medium he's shilling for at this awards show, at least. Harris inserted himself into movies, most of them old — say, blocking Sharon Stone's business from Basic Instinct — but also the night's only feted musical, Into the Woods.

Speaking of which, he was soon joined by Anna Kendrick, as well as Jack Black, who channelled his inner Tenacious D to offer the position that maybe movies are crap and this whole thing is a corrupt love-in. The Oscars do this every now and then: addressing that maybe the ceremony — and maybe even movies themselves — are irrelevant. And as usual, the event had



Akiva Schaffer, Andy Samberg, and Jorma Taccone of The Lonely Island perform Everything Is Awesome from The Lego Movie during the Oscars last night. The Tegan and Sara hit did not win the Oscar for best original song, which went to Glory from Selma, by John Legend and Common. KEVIN WINTER/GETTY IMAGES

### List of winners

Here are the winners at Sunday's 87th annual Academy Awards at press time. For the full list, visit metronews.ca.

- **Supporting actor:** J.K. Simmons, Whiplash.
- **Supporting actress:** Patricia Arquette, Boyhood.
- **Makeup and hairstyling:** The Grand Budapest Hotel.
- **Foreign language film:** Ida.

- **Documentary feature:** CitizenFour
- **Adapted Screenplay:** The Imitation Game.
- **Original screenplay:** Birdman.
- **Live action short film:** The Phone Call.
- **Visual effects:** Interstellar.
- **Best director:** Alejandro Gonzalez Inarritu, Birdman

no real answers: just a flashy song-and-dance number performed by one of entertainment's brightest lights.

Harris couldn't really make the Oscars his own, though his best moment was almost certainly a genuinely improvised bit of silliness when he did a song and dance following J.K. Simmons' earnest plea for everyone to call their parents — call, not text — while accepting his Best Supporting Actor prize

for Whiplash.

But to the question all of you most wanted to know: Did the Costume Design trophy go to The Grand Budapest Hotel? (OK, some of us were worried it wouldn't.) It did, deservedly, as did the makeup and hairstyling award, for a film that successfully turned the ageless Tilda Swinton into a 90-something prune. In fact, it's odd that OCD director Wes Anderson has not swept the technical awards before.

### Mothers and other strangers

## Some of the night's odd moments

One of the bigger moments of the night came long before the ceremony even started. On the red carpet, Dakota Johnson got peeved with her date, her mom Melanie Griffith, who said she had still not seen Fifty Shades of Grey because you know why. Apparently Griffith is the only one who hasn't heard about its limp sex scenes.

Host Neil Patrick Harris had some noticeably questionable fumbles. He made jokes about Oprah's size and Octavia Spencer's snacking. He also brutally fumbled through the name Chiwetel Ejiofor. But there was a pretty funny Clint Eastwood joke that compared him to Kanye.

Ida director Pawel Pawlikowski became one of the few winners to ever conquer the nosy, impatient

orchestra, who were all set to drown him out far quicker than they would, say, a J.K. Simmons. He persisted and they actually shut up, only coming back when he would let them. Good on ya.



Dakota Johnson with mom Melanie Griffith

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# 'WE'RE MORE THAN JUST OUR DRESSES'

We hear ya, Reese. Though we recognize there is more to these stunning ladies (and gents) than their looks, here are the night's best dressed

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## Lady in red

There was a contingent of leading ladies in strapless red, including Rosamund Pike in Givenchy Haute Couture.



## Green light

Scarlett Johansson opted for statement jewelry in the form of a green choker, which complemented her perfectly moulded Versace gown.



## Carried away

Jennifer Aniston, wearing champagne-coloured Versace, uses her muscles to try and lift Emma Stone, who wore a custom Elie Saab gown.



## #AskHerMore

Hollywood actresses sent a feminist message on the Oscar red carpet this year, promoting the #AskHerMore campaign that aims to put an end to sexist questions on the red carpet. "We're more than just our dresses," best actress nominee Reese Witherspoon said before the show. "We are so happy to be here and talk about the work that we've done. It's hard being a woman in Hollywood or any other industry ... It's exciting for me to talk about the nominees."

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@fuggirls

#askhermore is great, but it's ALSO okay to ask/say who you're wearing. You got it for free. It's a transaction. Tip your server. -H #Oscars

@shondarhimes

Stop asking women questions about what they wear to cover the containers they carry their brains around in. #AskHerMore

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## Hollywood goes classic

High collars replaced sexy cutouts, and Classic Hollywood in blacks and whites took hold of the Oscars red carpet Sunday night with help from Witherspoon, who was in a black and white off-the-shoulder Tom Ford gown, and a heavily pearled look for fashion It girl Lupita Nyong'o.

## Jewelry a force for good



Best supporting actress nominee Laura Dern prepares for the Oscars wearing a Bulgari turquoise ring in support of the American Lung Association's Lung Force, an initiative dedicated to raising awareness about lung cancer and how it affects women. Turquoise is the signature colour of Lung Force.

## Pearly perfection

Several stars wore high-necked white gowns, including Marion Cotillard and Nyong'o (pictured here) in a heavily embellished custom Calvin Klein.



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# Make a plan and stick to it

## Financial goals.

Becoming debt-free or saving for a down payment for a house requires sacrifice and a well-thought-out strategy



**GAIL VAZ-OXLADE**  
Gail blogs daily at [gailvazoxlade.com](http://gailvazoxlade.com)

Sometimes people say they want one thing but then do something that totally works against them achieving their goal. Home ownership is a great example.

Even if they manage to paint a pretty clear picture of what that home will be like, where it will be, and what it will feel like to live there, they can't come to grips with the fact that owning a home changes everything. It usually means not spending money in restaurants, on new clothes, or on vacations so you can build a down payment. It also means not going out three nights a week to party with friends because now you have a mortgage and a whole bunch of around-the-house things to get done.

Deciding what you really, really want means that you not only visualize what you're trying to achieve, you also do your best to predict and understand the consequences of getting what you want.

Everything in life comes with upsides and downsides. If you're only looking at the upsides when you're making your decisions, you'll be



Home ownership comes with plenty of pros, but also plenty of cons. It's up to you to plan accordingly. ISTOCK

unhappily surprised by the downsides.

Having children has huge upsides. But having children also has enormous responsibilities that can take your breath away. Ditto deciding to go back to school, changing your career, moving to a new country or another part of the country, or becoming debt-free.

People often tell me that they know what they want. Just as often, their behaviours do not match their words.

It's important to understand and accept the consequences of your choice and integrate both the upsides and the downsides into your

plan. Sure, you may not be able to go out three nights a week with friends, but you can hold a game night or have a Dessert for Dinner evening where everyone brings something to the table. And you may be stuck home with baby, but that won't stop you inviting all the other stuck-home-with-baby people over for poker night or to watch the latest DVD release.

Once you decide what you really, really want, putting some tracking into place to measure your progress is much more likely to get you there. Have you ever noticed that when you start something new you're all gung-ho, but as time goes by your

energy and effort wanes? Hey, it's human. Once we lose our initial enthusiasm — when the immediate seems more tempting than the long-term goal — that goal feel almost oppressive. Really? We're going to turn down dinner out with friends again! When will this be over?

When you're working toward a goal, you have to find ways to stay focused on what you've achieved so you keep going. Having knocked a \$2,000 credit card balance back to zero, you may find your motivation to attack your student loan lagging. A vacation seems much more enticing now. Doesn't everyone take forever to pay off

## Why so stubborn?

Hugely resistant to measuring your activities on any front? Maybe you're not yet committed to change. Writing it down means making a deal with yourself to do something that has results.

- If you're not writing it down, there's no deal, and you're off the hook. Of course it also means you're going to keep doing what you know isn't working.

their student debt anyway?

You have to come up with ways to keep the blush on your debt-free rose.

Measuring your progress is one way to stay focused and keep yourself motivated. By recording how you're doing, you can look at a picture that reflects your reality, not what you think is your reality. You can appreciate what you have accomplished in moving towards your goal.

I can hear some of you moaning now: "But Gail, all that measuring takes time I don't have." Really? You're trying to achieve a goal you've said is important, but you don't have time to check to see how you're doing? Or is it you're afraid you're going to miss the mark and would rather keep your head buried in your delusion?

Measuring can be as simple as making a chart and colouring in your progress or as creative as making a debt-tree with \$100 leaves and then pulling off a leaf every time you pay down \$100 of your debt.

## Health. Personality is a strong predictor of how we cope with illnesses

When we succumb to illness, men and women employ different coping mechanisms that vary even more depending on our personalities, according to researchers at Washington State University and at the University of the Thai Chamber of Commerce. For example, a single-symptom illness bothers women more than men, but women are more stoic than men when they succumb to a multi-symptom illness, according to study author Robert Rosenman of WSU. "And perhaps more importantly, person-

ality affects how women handle becoming sick, while men of all types react the same," says Rosenman, a professor in the Department of Economic sciences. Agreeable women who are likely to have strong social networks and high-quality relationships are able to cope because they find themselves better supported in times of crisis, say the researchers. For men, however, no correlation could be drawn linking particular personality traits with coping mechanisms for mental illness.

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Women who have strong social networks are able to cope better with illness. ISTOCK

## Spending

### Hungry for lunch, hungry for shoes

Feeling famished not only makes you want food, it increases your desire for non-food items, according to recent research at the University of Minnesota's Carlson School of Management. The research team conducted experiments in which participants were asked to fast for up to four hours before going shopping. When hunger wasn't quelled, participants opted for 70 per cent more products than those who had eaten. AFP

## Tech

### Wearable sex tracker in the works

Techsters at Geeksphone have announced an upcoming fitness tracker that will also quantify your sex life and track your ecological footprint. The sex-tracking feature will require manual activation, according to TechCrunch. After enough

nooky while wearing the gadget, users will have a historic of how many times per week, how many calories they burn, and how long they last each time.

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## Advice

**Must I fête with the whole floor?**

OFFICE SPACE  
Eleni Deacon  
life@metronews.ca

**Dear Metro,**  
I'm having a big birthday party in a couple weeks and I'm planning to invite some of my co-workers. Not the whole office — just a few people I really like. However, I'm worried about offending those colleagues I'd rather not have at my home. Is there a way to keep my gathering exclusive without creating enemies?  
— Not on the Guest List

**Dear NOTGL,**  
It's your party and you don't have to include Kevin from marketing if you don't want to. But you also don't have to rub your off-hours friendships in the faces of those you only wish to see at work.

When issuing invites,

be discreet. Large meetings — when your whole team is within earshot — are not the best times to tell Jenn about your blowout while the rest listen in feeling left out. Save party planning for emails or one-on-one powwows.

This doesn't mean you should keep your festivities a secret. It's true your rejected colleagues might feel a little jealous of those who made the cut. But they can only get angry if you start acting cagey. Should anyone ask, be polite, but open. Say it's your birthday. And that you're having a party. Then wish them a friendly good night.

**Dear Metro,**  
I'm currently in line for a really exciting promotion. I badly want the position, but there's a hitch. The other person up for the job is my best friend at work. Someone I love spending time with and genuinely want to succeed. What's worse, things have been really awkward between us since the role came up. I don't want to sacrifice my professional

**goals, but I need to diffuse this tension. How can I make this okay?**  
— Friends & Rivals

**Dear F&R,**  
Wanting your friend to succeed and wanting yourself to succeed should not be competing ambitions. Unfortunately, you've found yourself in a peculiar situation where your pal's success directly translates into your own disappointment. In short: This sucks. Have you discussed your conflict at all? It might help to acknowledge — out loud — the no-way-around-it difficulty of your present conflict of interest. Rather than letting the tension creep up, you could engage an upfront conversation in which you both get the opportunity to air how you feel. You shouldn't shirk your own ambitions. But by recognizing your co-worker's aspirations, you might ease your strained relationship.

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# Closures spell trouble for student employees

**Job search.** Summer job hunters may need to broaden search following retail breakdowns: Experts

Students and new graduates on the hunt for summer jobs may find the search even more daunting given the recent grim news on the homegrown retail front.

With Target shuttering its 133 Canadian locations and Jacob, Mexx, Sony, Parasuco and Jones New York closing up shop, will short-term job opportunities be tougher to come by?

Hersh Rubinoff, president of career site CPG Connect, said she's seen a huge influx of visits from Target employees since the Minneapolis-based retailer announced its exit from the Canadian marketplace.

"I think that's the biggest problem that students and new grads are going to run into this summer because as they're applying for those part-time retail positions, there's going to be a plethora of candidates in the market from Target and ... other retailers," Rubinoff said.

"Because there's going to be so many of them looking for work, they're going to have the experience, and they're likely going to be willing to accept a lower wage."

But Lauren Friese, founder of TalentEgg, a Canadian job site and career resource for students and recent graduates, said it's still unknown how many of the eliminated jobs would have been available to



Young professionals are having to hustle in market that's bringing on hurdle after hurdle. ISTOCK

## Unexpected competition

**"As they're applying for those part-time retail positions, there's going to be a plethora of candidates in the market from Target and ... other retailers."**

Hersh Rubinoff  
President of career site CPG Connect

The job market for teens and young adults remains a tough one.

Statistics Canada data revealed the youth unemployment rate declined by 0.7 percentage points in January to 12.8 per cent, with 30,300 more young people working compared to the year prior. Still, the youth unemployment rate far exceeds the national figure of 6.6 per cent.

Rubinoff said young people should be diversifying their job searches and looking to different sectors for potential opportunities.

"I know that event marketing is always something that is very big and definitely picks up in the summertime as the different consumer packaged

goods companies look at grassroots ways to reach their target audience," she said.

Friese recently gave an hour-long presentation in which she stressed three main points on pursuing summer and post-graduate work: being resourceful, creative and taking action.

"Being resourceful starts with being very organized and figuring out all the different types of resources that are out there to help you, whether they're in the online world or the offline world," said Friese, whose website features Bright Ideas, an online initiative aimed at crowdsourcing solutions to improve Canada's youth employment.

Friese said she thinks the exciting part of summer employment is that students get the chance to gain experience in an area they may be uncertain they like or want to pursue for the long haul.

"Once you graduate and enter into 'the real world' you don't get those opportunities to take career sabbaticals. You don't get those opportunities to just try something new," she said.

"You commit to something and you're expected to stay there long-term. And if you do jump around a lot, you're thought of as a job-hopper that's not sure of what they want to do."

"If you do it while you're still in school it's a completely different impression," she added. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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# Colour outside the standard chicken lines

**Dinner.** Stuffing poultry with asparagus, red peppers and cheese gives it a unique look



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## FLASH FOOD



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A stuffed chicken breast is always a tender and delicious entree. The asparagus, brie and roasted peppers give this meal an attractive appearance since we also eat with our eyes.

If you want a stronger flavour, try using aged cheddar or goat cheese.

You can also ask your butcher to cut the chicken breasts into scaloppini to eliminate pounding the chicken.



This recipe serves four. ROSE REISMAN

### Ingredients

- 1 1/2 lb boneless skinless chicken breasts (about 4 breasts)
- 1 egg
- 2 tbsp 2% milk (or water)
- 2/3 cup seasoned dry bread crumbs
- 2 tbsp grated Parmesan cheese (1/2 oz)
- 2 tsp vegetable oil
- Stuffing**
- 12 small (or 4 large) asparagus spears (about 1/4 lb/125 g), trimmed
- 1/4 cup diced brie (1 oz)
- 2 tbsp grated Parmesan cheese (1/2 oz)
- 1/4 cup chopped roasted red pepper (about 2 small roasted red peppers)
- 1/2 tsp dried basil
- 3 tbsp chopped fresh basil

**TOTAL  
TIME  
ABOUT 32  
MINUTES**

### Directions

**1.** Preheat the oven to 400 F. Lightly coat a 9- x 13-inch casserole dish with cooking spray.

**2.** Working with one at a time, place a chicken breast between 2 sheets of waxed paper and

pound to an even 2-inch thickness. Set aside.

**3.** Stuffing: Boil or steam the asparagus until just tender, about 2 minutes. Drain and rinse with cold water. Dice and place it in a bowl. Add the brie, Parmesan, red pepper and dried basil.

**4.** Lay the chicken breasts flat and divide the stuffing equally among them. Roll up and secure with a toothpick. Whisk together the egg and milk and place in a shallow bowl. Combine the bread crumbs and Parmesan in another shallow bowl or plate.

**5.** Lightly coat a large nonstick skillet with cooking spray, add the oil and set over medium-high heat. Dip the rolled chicken into the egg mixture and then into the bread crumbs. Sauté the rolled chicken just until browned on all sides, about 5 minutes.

**6.** Place in the prepared casserole dish and bake another 10 to 15 minutes or until the chicken is no longer pink (or reaches an internal temperature of 165 F). Slice in half or into medallions to serve. Garnish with fresh basil. **THE BEST OF ROSE REISMAN (WHITE-CAP BOOKS) BY ROSE REISMAN**



This recipe serves four. ROSE REISMAN

## A steak that keeps vegetarians in mind

Once you try my recipe for Cauliflower Steak with Sun-dried Tomato and Olive Salsa,

### Ingredients

- 1 large head of cauliflower
- 1/2 cup pitted thinly sliced black olives
- 6 rehydrated sun-dried tomatoes, sliced thinly
- 2 tbsp olive oil
- 1/2 tsp minced garlic
- 1/2 tsp lemon juice
- 2 tbsp chopped basil or parsley

you'll never boil or steam this vegetable again.

I like to serve it as either a first course or vegetable side dish.

end intact. Slice cauliflower into four 1/2-inch "steaks." Some florets will separate, which you can use for another recipe.

**1.** Preheat oven to 450 F.

**2.** Remove the leaves from the cauliflower, leaving the stem

**3.** In a large skillet sprayed with vegetable oil, sauté cauliflower steaks for about 3 minutes per side, just until

browned. Place on baking sheet lined with foil and bake for 15 to 20 minutes, just until fork tender.

**4.** Meanwhile in a small bowl, combine olives, tomatoes, olive oil, garlic, lemon juice and basil. Divide over top and serve. **ROSE REISMAN**

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Manitoba skip Jennifer Jones, left, third Kaitlyn Lawes, second Jill Officer and lead Dawn McEwen celebrate winning the Scotties Tournament of Hearts in Moose Jaw, Sask., Sunday. JONATHAN HAYWARD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Jones captures her fifth national title

**Curling.** Olympic champion beats Alberta rink in Scotties final

Manitoba's Jennifer Jones defeated Alberta's Val Sweeting 6-5 in the gold-medal game Sunday night at the Scotties Tournament of Hearts.

Jones hit an open draw with her last throw in the 10th end for her fifth career national title.

"It was a little close for comfort, but we managed to pull it

off in the end," Jones said.

It was a back-and-forth battle in front of an enthusiastic near-sellout crowd of 3,992 at Mosaic Place in Moose Jaw, Sask.

Jones opened with a deuce but Sweeting pulled even with a pair of her own in the second end. After a blank, Jones hit a takeout for one but Sweeting answered again with a single in the fifth.

The teams continued to exchange singles with Sweeting hitting a draw to the four-foot to tie the game at five in the ninth end. Jones had the

## Homan finishes third

Two-time defending champion Rachel Homan won the bronze medal earlier Sunday with a 7-5 victory over Saskatchewan's Stefanie Lawton.

hammer in the 10th and took advantage.

"We made eight great shots in the last end and that's really what won it for us," Jones said.

Jones missed the Scotties last year as she led her Win-

nipeg team of third Kaitlyn Lawes, second Jill Officer and lead Dawn McEwen to Olympic gold at the Sochi Games.

Sweeting, who lost to Rachel Homan in the 2014 final in Montreal, was joined by Edmonton teammates Lori Olson-Johns at third, second Dana Ferguson and lead Rachelle Brown.

Jones will represent Canada at the March 14-to-22 world women's curling championship in Sapporo, Japan and receive \$10,000 to wear cresting at the competition.

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## NHL

### Bruins rout Hawks to snap six-game losing streak

Patrice Bergeron opened the scoring with his 200th goal, then added two assists in Boston's four-goal second period and the Bruins snapped a season-high six-game losing streak with a 6-2 rout of the Chicago Blackhawks on Sunday.

Reilly Smith had a goal and assist for the Bruins, who were 0-4-2 during the slide, their longest winless stretch since 2010. Loui Eriksson, Milan Lucic, Gregory Campbell and Dougie Hamilton also scored for Boston.

Jonathan Toews and Bryan Bickell scored for the Blackhawks, who have lost three straight (0-2-1).

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## NASCAR

### 'Sliced Bread' the toast of Daytona

Joey Logano, the driver who has spent seven years trying to live up to impossible expectations, raced to his first career Daytona 500 victory Sunday as he continued to reward Roger Penske for catapulting him into one of NASCAR's top stars.

Nicknamed "Sliced Bread," Logano found himself searching for a new job after four underwhelming seasons.

He was snatched up by Penske for the 2013 season after being dropped by Joe Gibbs Racing, a move that jumpstarted his career. His victory in "The Great American Race" on Sunday gave "The Captain" his second Daytona 500 title.

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# Rainmen find their sweet spot

**NBL Canada.** With victory over Miracles, Halifax win streak stretches to nine



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It seems the Halifax Rainmen have found a recipe for success on the court.

Their 113-97 win over the Moncton Miracles on Sunday at the Scotiabank Centre was their ninth straight win, and at 19-12 they're in striking distance of the NBL Canada's Atlantic Division title.

"Right now, the guys, you can tell that the chemistry is really good," Halifax Rainmen owner and president Andre Levingston said short-

ly after Sunday's game.

"You can tell that they like each other on the court," Levingston said. "They pass to each other (and) they're playing really good team defence."

Despite finding a sweet spot in the second half of the NBL season, he said the Rainmen "still have a ways to go" in terms of perfecting the game plan laid out by head coach Josep (Pep) Claros.

Indeed, Sunday's game was a tense affair, with several turnovers costing Halifax an early lead and the score remaining uncomfortably close through the first and second quarters.

It was all tied up at 46-apiece heading into the second half, with hot tempers resulting in technical fouls on both sides. But Hali-

fax was able to reclaim an 80-68 lead by the end of the third, and dominated in the fourth, with forward Kevin Young putting away some thrilling dunks en route to his 23 total points in the game.

Centre Liam McMorrow led the Rainmen with 24 points and 16 rebounds, while guard Seiya Ando put up 12 points. Chris Matthews had 22 points for the Miracles.

The Rainmen play their last game of the regular season against the first-place Island Storm this Thursday night in Charlottetown. The Storm, 19-11, also host the London Lightning on Monday.

"If they win against London, then we have to beat them by a certain number of points," Levingston said of potentially snagging the division's top spot.

"It's just a matter of, game after game, we have to make sure that these guys give their maximum on the defensive end," he said, "and they're doing a pretty good job of executing that right now."

Playoffs start in early March.



Rainmen guard Forrest Fisher sends Moncton Miracles centre Shamus Ferguson flying as he drives to the basket on Sunday at the Scotiabank Centre. JEFF HARPER/METRO

## Quoted

**"We're playing really good team defence now, and we're playing better one-on-one defence, and we know that if we have the opportunity to compete for a championship, it's going to be because we're going to defend better than other teams."**

Rainmen owner and president Andre Levingston

# Huskies prepare for harder road in close-out game



Saint Mary's Huskies forward Jeff Marchand looks for a pass in front of the Acadia Axemen net during Atlantic University Sport semifinal action Sunday night at the Halifax Forum. KRISTEN LIPSCOMBE/METRO

The Saint Mary's Huskies may have shut out the Acadia Axemen 4-0 in Atlantic University Sport semifinal action Sunday night, but head coach Trevor Stienburg says they're "not taking anything for granted."

"We know our opponents," Stienburg said after his team's second win of the best-of-five playoff series in front of close to 800 fans at the Halifax Forum.

"They're well coached, they're good, they're fast, they're solid, they're deep," he said of the Axemen, who finished second in the regular sea-

son, one spot above the third-place Huskies.

"It was a hard-fought one," Stienburg said. "I'm not sure it was a 4-0 game."

In fact, goaltender Anthony Peters made 37 saves to lead Saint Mary's to the win.

The Huskies only had 23 shots on Acadia netminder Brandon Glover, though four found the back of the net, including a short-handed marker from defenceman Jamie Doornbosch to make it 2-0 midway through the second period.

After a scoreless first period,

## Quoted

**"I thought every guy went out their with only one goal, and that was to win the hockey game, and they did whatever they had to do."**

Saint Mary's Huskies head coach Trevor Stienburg

his team's opening goal came at 4:33 in the middle frame from forward Michael Curtis.

Gerrard Grant gave the Husk-

ies a 3-0 lead at 7:44 in the third, while Stephen Johnston capped it off on a power play at 16:03 for the 4-0 final. Johnston also assisted Doornbosch's goal.

"We're going to need some breaks," Stienburg said, "and we're going to need another huge effort," when the Huskies and Axemen face off again Tuesday night for Game 4. The puck drops at 7 p.m., again at the Halifax Forum.

"Every game gets harder," Stienburg said. "We're going to have to play better."

KRISTEN LIPSCOMBE/METRO

## AUS hockey

### Semifinal showdowns begin

The puck drops tonight on AUS women's hockey semifinals.

The Saint Mary's Huskies visit the Moncton Aigles Bleues at 7 p.m., in Game 1 of a best-of-three series.

Dalhousie travels to St. Francis Xavier for Game 1 at 7 p.m. on Tuesday. **METRO**

## AUS basketball

### Championship schedules set

The Scotiabank Centre will be all about basketball this weekend.

Both the AUS men's basketball championship and AUS women's basketball championship schedules were announced Sunday.

On the men's side, both Dalhousie and Saint Mary's

head to quarter-finals, with the fifth-place Tigers tipping off against the fourth-place Cape Breton Capers at 6 p.m. on Friday, and third-place Huskies facing the sixth-place Memorial Sea-Hawks at 8:15 p.m. The championship game is at 4:30 p.m. on Sunday.

On the women's side, the first-place Huskies and No. 2 Tigers head to Saturday's semis, at 12 p.m. and 2:15 p.m. The women's final is set for 1 p.m. on Sunday. **METRO**

## QMJHL

### Moose get by with man advantage

Power-play goals propelled Saturday night's game between the Halifax Mooseheads and the Charlottetown Islanders.

All three goals were with the man advantage in the second period but the Moose managed one more than the host team, with forwards

Danny Moynihan and Timo Meier both scoring to lead the visiting Herd to a 2-1 win at Eastlink Centre.

Dainel Sprong scored Charlottetown's lone goal.

"It was a good little win," Mooseheads head coach Dominique Ducharme said.

Halifax pulled two points ahead of Charlottetown in standings after Saturday, putting them third in the Maritimes Division and ninth overall in the Q. **METRO**



Danny Moynihan scored in the Mooseheads' 2-1 win on Saturday in Charlottetown. JEFF HARPER/METRO

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### Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

#### ♈ Aries

**March 21 - April 20**

Working behind the scenes can be frustrating for someone as outgoing as you. But it does enable you to do things you don't want others to see.

#### ♉ Taurus

**April 21 - May 21**

Some people may say you are being too cautious, especially with money, but your sixth sense tells you this is not a good time to splash out.

#### ♊ Gemini

**May 22 - June 21**

Just because you disagree with someone does not mean you cannot be friends. The message of the stars today is differences of opinion must not be allowed to come between you.

#### ♋ Cancer

**June 22 - July 23**

If someone you live or work with needs assistance today, and according to the planets they most likely will, you must go out of your way to help.

#### ♌ Leo

**July 24 - Aug. 23**

Keep standards high over the coming week and make sure those around you aim high too. You'll be judged as much on who you know as what you do.

#### ♍ Virgo

**Aug. 24 - Sept. 23**

With the Sun at right angles to Saturn, you will have to give ground. Compromise is not an option, it's essential. There are times when you have no choice but to work as part of a team, and this is one of them.

#### ♎ Libra

**Sept. 24 - Oct. 23**

You may have to postpone something you were looking forward to but looking back at the end of the week you will be relieved you never got started.

#### ♏ Scorpio

**Oct. 24 - Nov. 22**

You need to recognize that you do not have unlimited resources. If there is something you want, and it doesn't come cheap, you may have to put it on your wait list for a while.

#### ♐ Sagittarius

**Nov. 23 - Dec. 21**

Saturn in your sign at odds with the Sun today means you must not get worked up about something which, in the greater scheme of things, is of only minor importance.

#### ♑ Capricorn

**Dec. 22 - Jan. 20**

What a friend or relative tells you may not be what you were hoping to hear but it is good advice and if you are smart you will listen and learn.

#### ♒ Aquarius

**Jan. 21 - Feb. 19**

Stay out of a dispute today, even if you think you can bring the two sides together. Chances are you will bring them together but it is likely to be in opposition to you!

#### ♓ Pisces

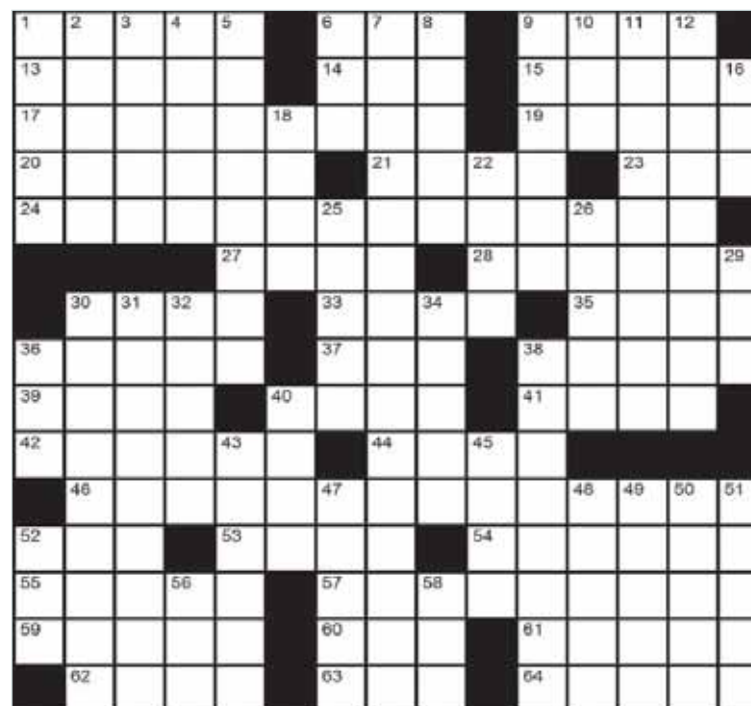
**Feb. 20 - March 20**

Don't worry if your latest project does not seem to be making much progress. There is a good cosmic reason why you are being held back.

### Crossword: Canada Across and Down by Kelly Ann Buchanan

#### Across

1. Acknowledge
6. Bottom-of-letter letters
9. In \_\_\_\_ (Sequentially)
13. "From \_\_\_\_ shining..."
14. "\_\_\_\_, what's up, doc?" - Bugs Bunny
15. "Tiny Bubbles" singer: 2 wds.
17. Michigan city of song
19. Keep your \_\_\_\_ the prize
20. Catch
21. WWII-era service-women
23. "\_\_\_\_ Boot" (1981)
24. One was set up by a German U-boat landing party in Martin Bay in Northern Labrador in WWII: 2 wds.
27. Currency exchange fee
28. Songstress Ms. Gore
30. Aura
33. Santa Fe, \_\_\_\_
35. Ailments
36. Glimmer
37. Positive opp.
38. "Darn \_\_\_\_!"
39. "You leave \_\_\_\_ choice..."
40. Like venison
41. Not any
42. Deep blue
44. Blood type, \_\_\_\_
46. Toronto Maple Leafs mascot: 3 wds.



52. Association [abbr.]
53. Get paid
54. Six-headed mythological sea monster
55. Actress Sophia
57. Chantal Kreviazuk hit: 2 wds.
59. Olympic sprinter Mr. Bolt
60. Wrath

61. Painting stand
62. Thesaurus entries, briefly
63. Dangerous fly, when doubled
64. Salon snippe

#### Down

1. Awry
2. Actor, Cameron \_\_\_\_ Stewart

3. Mediterranean island
4. "But is \_\_\_\_?" (Museum query, perhaps)
5. Weapon axe
6. Collectible candy dispenser
7. Exhibit etiquette: 3 wds.
8. Piglet

9. "\_\_\_\_ Fideles"
10. Mr. Orbison
11. Bill phased out by the Loonie: 2 wds.
12. Ms. Furtado's debut album: 2 wds.!
16. Switch selections
18. Take down \_\_\_\_ (Humble)
22. Mineral residue
25. Actress Lisa

26. "\_\_\_\_ go?" (Was the thumbs-up given?)
29. Couture letters
30. Calgary Flames forward Curtis
31. "Dallas" actress: 2 wds.
32. "\_\_\_\_" ('Dine in the Dark' restaurant in Toronto and Montreal)
34. Ancient land
36. Dieter's stat.
38. How clandestine operations are carried out: 2 wds.
40. "You've \_\_\_\_ Way" by Shania Twain
43. Big Bandleader Mr. Miller's
45. "It's \_\_\_\_ Quiet" by Bjork
47. Elliptical path
48. Way to learn a song on piano: 2 wds.
49. Meredith's "Family Ties" role
50. Hand creams ingredients
51. Jazz Mr. Julia's
52. Jazz musician, \_\_\_\_ Dara
56. German article<sup>9</sup>
58. Cost

### Last week's Crossword



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See today's answers at  
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### Conceptis Sudoku by Dave Green

#### How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

### Last week's Sudoku



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